

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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### The Great Apostasy

**AN ACT OF REJECTING REVEALED TRUTH. APOSTATES DEPART FROM THE FAITH NOT FROM AN OUTWARD PROFESSION OF CHRISTIANITY**

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"For that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first." 2 Thes. 2:3. "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith." 1 Tim. 4:1.

On the night of Feb. 24, 1931 there was held in the city of Tampa, Fla. a religious forum. The speakers (four of them) were a Jew, a Catholic, a Baptist, and an agnostic. I noticed the Baptist minister defending the Protestant belief of the Bible insisted we believe the Bible as a whole is divinely inspired, and made a very able appeal for faith in the Word of God. Of course the agnostic criticized any faith in the Word of God. We couldn't expect any more of one who says he doesn't know whether there is any God or not, and not knowing whether there is a God or not we don't expect him to believe the Word of God.

On Feb. 25 there appeared on the front page of the Tampa Tribune, a great daily newspaper, with a wide circulation read by thousands of people all over the southland and other states, an article setting forth the views of the President of The Southern Methodist College, and this is what he has to say: "Dr. Hayman is free to believe as he chooses but it so happens that eighty per cent of the members of the Protestant churches do not believe with him that every word of the Bible is true." My Lord, what a statement from the lips of a man who claims to know God and is at the head of an institution to equip young men to preach the gospel.

Listen, apostasy: An act of rejecting revealed truth. Apostates depart from the faith but not from an outward profession of Christianity. Truly the falling away and departure from the faith is here. The President of the S. M. E. College says Dr. Hayman represents only a small minority of Protestantism. Well Jesus said few there be that find the narrow way and the strait gate.

He (the college president) ridicules the idea of any one believing the account of Jonah and the whale, yet if he doesn't believe it, he questions the veracity of the Son of God for truthfulness for Jesus said at Matt. 12:40, "For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's (or great fish's or sea monster's) belly so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. So if Jonah wasn't in the fish's belly, the Son of God was woefully mistaken and if He was mistaken about this, He could have been mistaken about other things. And if He could be mistaken about anything then He wasn't the Son of God and faith in His blood or His grace or His power is a farce and you and I and everybody who has believed on Him as the Son of God have been hoodwinked and had a mess of hocus-pocus presto, change-us put over on us and we never have been saved from sin, never felt the cleansing power of His blood, never have received the Holy Ghost that Jesus said He would send from heaven because if He was fooled about the fish story He could have been fooled about this and we just haven't got a thing but a may-be so. No, no, no, brethren, a thousand times no. I don't care if Dr. Spivey and all doubt the Word of God, it only makes me feel surer of its divinity and authenticity. Brother, listen, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God." 2 Tim. 3:16. Is this true, or is Dr. Spivey true? Nay, let God be true and every man a liar. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." John 5:24.

"He that cometh from heaven is above all. And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony. He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true." John 3:31-33.

John the Baptist was here speaking of Jesus, and any man that attacks the authenticity of any part of God's Word undertakes to make God a liar. If the account of Jonah and the great fish wasn't true, then Jesus Christ

misrepresented it for he said "as Jonah WAS in the fish's belly." In Rom. 11:33 Paul says, "God's ways are past finding out." The only way man can know God, is by revelation, and when Jesus is revealed to us as the Son of God and Savior of mankind and when we have an experimental knowledge of Him as our own personal Savior, when we have experienced a personal touch of His divine grace and the power of His blood to cleanse, when we have experienced the incoming and indwelling, inspiring, enlightening, uplifting, soul blessing, heart cheering, mind clearing Holy Spirit then He takes the things of the Father and shows them to us (Jno. 16:13-15) and these great D. D.'s just cannot see or know these wonderful truths. They undertake to fathom the mysteries of God within themselves and leave God out and they run up against things that make them doubt because the things of God are foolishness to man because they are spiritually discerned. The departure from the faith, the falling away is here, let's anchor our faith to God's eternal truth, all of it, and we'll go thru.

I believe the fish swallowed Jonah because the Bible says the Lord prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. Jonah 1:17. I believe God can prepare anything. I admit God on the scene and when I do impossibilities disappear. Job said he knew God could do anything. David said, "Thou art God from everlasting to everlasting." God said, "I am the Lord, I change not." Mal. 3:6. Do you believe that? I do. Dr. Spivey doesn't. If Jesus was three days and nights in the heart of the earth, Jonah was three days and nights in the fish's belly. If one is true, the other is true. If either is false, both are false and if both are false, prove it to me and I won't believe any of the Bible.

Here is the secret: "He that believeth." (Please Look On Page Two)

### Church Growing At Murphy

We praise the Lord because today finds the people at Murphy, Okla. with victory. Our hearts were made glad to have Brother Oglesby, our state overseer, with us for the Lord surely did bless him in delivering His message. The Church of God is growing at Murphy. We have fifty-four members and are expecting more to come in. We have just closed a three week's meeting. The Lord blessed. The revival was conducted by Sister Rosie. Twenty-four were saved, about ten sanctified and five filled with the Holy Ghost. Thank God, I was among the five who received the Holy Ghost. I can't express how I feel this morning. I am a member of the Church of God. I love the church and her teachings. I believe we have a Holy Ghost filled pastor, Brother U. H. Corley. I believe he is a man of God. I want all who read this to pray for the church and pastor that the Lord will bless us. The devil is roaring here but Jesus is our Captain and He has never lost a battle and we are going thru.—One who loves the Church of God, Katie Gilbert, Murphy, Okla.

### A Church of God Set In Order

We closed a revival of five weeks at Dola, W. Va. April 18. Twenty-four were saved, six sanctified, and six received the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Eight were baptized in water and a Church of God set in order with eleven members. Large crowds attended and everybody seemed to be interested in the meetings. They enjoyed hearing the real Gospel preached. The revival was held by the writer and her son, Ray Richards, singer and guitar player.—Mrs. Nettie Richards, evangelist.

### Wonderful Time At Zion Church

The meeting at Zion Church of God closed last Sunday night with a large crowd in attendance and about six in the altar. The meeting was a success. Eleven were sanctified, eleven filled with the Holy Ghost and eleven came into the church. This was one of the best meetings they have had at that place.

The Lord has been blessing our weak efforts. Since we came to Randolph County, Ala. on Jan. 29, forty-six have been converted, forty sanctified, thirty-four have received the Holy Ghost and twenty-six added to the church. Quite a number are to be baptized later. We are near Gray Hill in a few nights' meeting. Pray for the success of the meetings.

Any one needing my help write me at Rt. 1, Covin, Ala. I am still in the evangelistic work. I desire your prayers. May the Lord bless you all is my prayer.—Your humble brother in Christ, L. J. Potts.

### Getting a People Ready

I praise the dear Lord for His show-ers of blessings. We have just closed a four week's revival at the Church of God with twenty-two souls saved, fifteen of them sanctified, and seven received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Nine were added to the Church and baptized in water. Brother Fred Fuckett, pastor, brought the messages with the Holy Ghost and fire. Surely the Lord is getting a people ready for His coming.

Brother C. H. Standifer and wife and many good brothers from Shelby, Ind. and other places helped with the singing and music. We surely believe in the old time religion. Praise God!

Everyone who reads this pray that God may have the glory thru the saints in His church and that many more souls may be saved. — Your sister in the Church of God, Mrs. Tilda Craig, Rt. 2, Lewis, Ind.

### He Is Keeping His Children

I want to sound a note of praise. to the Almighty Father this morning thru the Evangel, the dear little paper we all love so well. God is blessing and keeping His humble children down here in the wilderness of sin at Windborn, Miss. We are having prayer meeting and services in the homes of those who will permit us and the Lord blesses. Last Wednesday night at our little prayer meeting a man got saved and demons like snakes were seen to leave him. The next night he got sanctified and was baptized Sunday. He is now seeking the Holy Ghost. He had been a dope fiend for fourteen years for some kind of spell like fits. He is now trusting God for His healing. Pray for us down here at Windborn that we can win souls for Jesus. This is a needy place. Truly the harvest is ripe and the laborers few. People seem to want to hear the true gospel. — A sister in Christ, Bessie E. Scruggs.

### A Good Revival

MARION, S. C. — I want to sound a note of praise to my dear Saviour this morning for His goodness. We have had a great revival here which means much to us. Bros. Lovel and Lee from Dillon, assisted by Brother Heaton, our pastor gave the messages under the power of the Holy Ghost and eternity alone can tell the good that was done. We sure had good music and singing. There were twenty-four saved, six sanctified, three baptized with the Holy Ghost, four added to the church and more are looking this way. We thank God for His unspeakable gift. — Your sister in Christ, Mrs. J. L. Benson, clerk.

### Work Started At Houston

We surely thank the dear Lord for His goodness and blessings to us here in Houston, Tex. He has given us a church here and has given the church a bread line for the poor. We can get all the bread we want. We ask the church in general to pray for us here. We have had a hard time. The devil is mad. There are twenty-five or thirty Pentecostal movements here and it looks like they are all against the Bible church and her government. We have had to move six times since the twenty-third of December 1930 when we started to work for the Lord here, but God's Word is true and there is a Church of God here now. Hallelujah! We are starting open air meetings in a few days and we desire your prayers. Those who can, come and help. This is the largest city in Texas, having a population of close to four hundred thousand, there is lots of room here. I desire your prayers.— T. E. Ledford, 1320 1/2 Washington Avenue, Houston, Tex.

### We Give God The Praise

We have just closed a short service at Pitts, Ga. The power was there to bless in almost every service. One was reclaimed, one saved and sanctified, and another sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues. The church was revived and we feel much more good was done than was shown. We had large crowds every night. One Sunday night five hundred were at church. God gave out the Word in a way that much interest was manifested. The outside folks as well as the church folks said it was a wonderful meeting. We give God all the praise.

I am out for the souls of men and if I can't get them I am ready to quit. Pray for me to stay humble where God can use me to His glory.

We were called to pray for a woman who had the flu. We went and God touched her body and she got up and went fishing. —Elsie Franklin, evangelist.

### New Church Has Strong Members

BRISTOL, Ga. — We have just closed a successful revival near Lanes Bridge with much good done. The writer set a church in order there Sunday night, April 11, with fourteen members. This is said to be a bad place. They surely fight holiness. The last night of the meeting they pulled the posts from under the house and part of it fell in while we were taking the sacrament. Sister Wing did most of the preaching until the last night of the meeting, then the writer did the preaching. Sister Wing is a hard worker and a good one for hard places. Please pray for this new work that it will prosper with great progress. — Humbly, Clyde C. Cox, district overseer.

### The People Listened

DRY HARBOUR, Jam. I am glad I can send forth thru the dear Evangel a shout of praise for great victory over the devil. On April 5 Elder O. Thomas conducted a meeting at Bethel Town about three miles from home. We had a very large gathering. At the beginning of the meeting the devil began to rail but the elder put the words of God out with great power and there was a wonderful stillness. He preached on the doctrine of the church and the people listened with an earnest desire. No souls were saved but we had great joy and the folks are calling us back. We hope by the help of God to have victory on the field. No souls are getting saved but we are fighting on. We ask the dear saints abroad to pray for this little church at Dry Harbour that souls may be saved and added to the company of God's people. — A brother in Christ, E. T. Francis, clerk.

### My Convention Work

FOR MARCH, APRIL AND MAY

S. W. Latimer, General Overseer

The Louisiana state convention convened at Shepherd's Fold near Covington March 27-29. The first few days of the convention was cold and rainy. The attendance was not so good as it was at the last. From the very first service we could feel the presence of God. Brother Simmons had a well arranged program and every one seemed to fill his place well. Brother B. L. Hicks gave a wonderful message on "The Need of the Hour." It was enjoyed by all present, and the blessed Holy Ghost came down in a wonderful way as he instructed the people about the importance of being ready for the return of the Lord. Brother William Black gave a good message on "Church Government." There were many speakers at the convention and every one surely had the anointing of the Lord. We had all day service Sunday and the house was filled to overflowing. On Sunday night the convention closed. The house and yard were filled with people. I have thought in the past that many conventions were so wonderfully accompanied by the power and Spirit of God that it would be impossible for them to be better, but it seems that this year the conventions are beyond our expectation. Many people were saying, Truly God's presence and power is with us. The people of Louisiana are keeping pace with the teachings of the General Assembly and power of the Holy Ghost.

Our next meeting was a district convention near Morgantown, Miss. There we met Brother Williams and a number of ministers from the different districts of Mississippi. Brother MaGee was in charge of this meeting. Sister Heath was here to play the piano and encourage the people. Many were in attendance. Some could not get seats. They had all day service Sunday, and to say that God was there in the person of the Holy Ghost with power and blessings would be putting it mild.

The next convention was at Fitzgerald, Ga. This was a state assembly.

### Twelve Received The Holy Ghost

RAVENNA, Ky. — I praise the Lord for His love I feel in my soul just now. On Jan. 27 we began a revival at Possum Run, Ky. The Lord surely was in it. The house was packed every night. The meeting continued for about nineteen nights. Twenty were saved, fifteen sanctified, and twelve received the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues according to Acts 2:4.

At the beginning of the revival a message was given out and interpreted. The Lord came down, the saints shouted, danced, and fell under the power of God. Brother Johnie Sparks and the writer preached night about until the last of the meeting. Brother F. R. Harrawood, our pastor at Ravenna, preached two nights. About twenty-two were at the altar the last night of the meeting.

My heart is going out for lost souls. I feel the call of Jesus to work for Him and I want all who read this to look up to God and ask Him to help me for I know all strength comes from Him.—Your brother in Christ and for the Church of God, Walter Sparks.

### CHURCH SET IN ORDER

OAK GROVE, Ia.—Brother M. C. Cockrell of Indianola, Miss. came over and helped us one week. We had a good meeting. Eight claimed to be saved and a new Church of God set in order. There are just a few of us.

Brother M. C. Cockrell gave out Word with power. We are looking to the Lord. We praise Him for men who will stand for the church. We ask all the Church of God preachers with Brother S. W. Latimer as General Overseer to come to our church. We ask all the saints to pray for our church. We believe in the Church of God and its teachings.— Your brother in Christ, Able Ainsworth, Rt. 1.

We had the privilege of meeting many of the Georgia ministers whom we used to associate with in the work of the Church. Brother Jim Culpepper, Brother Eddie Culpepper, Brother Charlie Culpepper, Brother Buchana, and many other ministers too numerous to mention were there. Their preaching was with power and demonstration of the Holy Ghost. How we did enjoy this feast from the Lord! I was indeed glad to be with the dear ministers and laymen of Georgia once more. I will never forget their cooperation and loyal service while I was overseer there for five years. There wasn't one cross or division in this convention. Everybody seemed to be in love one with another and the Church's doctrine was held up in a way that I am sure was pleasing to the Holy Ghost. We are sure that God's richest blessings are upon the work in Georgia.

Next we attended the convention of the colored work which convened at Jacksonville, Fla. Brother Curry was there with his good admonition and a well arranged program. My, how the power of God did fall on those people! How they shouted, danced and praised the Lord! One could hardly believe that God could move those precious people around so fast and give them strength to praise and glorify Him at intervals of fifteen to thirty minutes. Surely God is giving them the best of His love and favors. So many good messages were delivered. Most of all, I appreciate the way they revered God. Several messages were given with the interpretations. One I remember was, "The trying times are on and the enemy will try to get in. Fast and pray and be careful and follow on to know me and I will lead you to victory and show you what I will have you do."

The next convention was at Cambridge, Md. April 24-26. This church has had many trials in the past year and they have gone down before God and prayed thru to victory. God surely did bless these people. I could feel that sweet, humble Spirit of Jesus that filled the atmosphere with the glory of God. As I sat in the service and listened I was made to really believe that God loveth whom He chasteneth. These people are advancing in love and obedience and in favor with God. Oh, I couldn't describe the glory and blessings of this wonderful convention. The attendance was large. People were there from many different sections of the state. Brother Marine seemed to be at his best and made the convention a real success. One of the sad things that confronted us at the convention was the death of our colored Brother Askins who sang at last Assembly, "I want to be just like the Lord some day." As they sang this song here the people wept aloud all over the house. Heaven alone will reveal the good that will come from this meeting.

The North Carolina convention at Kannapolis came next. This meeting was also a blessed reunion for me as I was overseer of this state years ago. I met so many of the precious ones who labored with me for the Master in previous years. Our fellowship was unbroken. Our dear Brother Clark from West Virginia was there and delivered a wonderful message on "What May the Church Expect?" Sister Helen L. Morrow from Ohio was there and delivered a wonderful message on the "Result of Sin." Many ministers and laymen from the different parts of the state, my old coworkers, were present. Oh how we did enjoy the refreshing from His presence. Brother Stephens had a well arranged program and carried it out in a way that showed his executive ability. North Carolina is coming to the front and the Church of God in that state is progressing. I spoke Sunday evening at Charlotte. We had a good congregation and enjoyed the presence of the Lord.

The Church is making a rapid advance in spiritual power and blessings and I can see from the spiritual tide of the conventions this year that the Church is getting close to Jesus and I am looking for a great outpouring of the Spirit in this revival season.



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## EDITORIALS

We visited the District Convention at McMinnville, Tenn. Saturday night and Sunday, May 9, 10, which was held in the Courthouse. This was a wonderful meeting, and at night the Courthouse was filled with people. Brother T. A. Richard is doing good work on this district. Brother A. Gann, State Overseer of Tennessee, was present and presided.

Brother McCoy is going forward with the compilation of the new song book; it will be out possibly October 1st.

Many good reports are coming in from over the states, and God is wonderfully blessing His people. The Church of God is the greatest institution in the world, and Her officers and teachers and laymen seem to be stirred as never before and are going forth with new victory, and are endeavoring to put into practice all the teachings of the Word of God.

Our Coupon Drive for orphanage beds is getting along fine. We are sure that we have almost enough to secure the sixty beds.

Misses Irene and Bessie Wares are on a vacation visiting their parents at Roseland, La. Sister Flora Trim and Mrs. Vianna Daniel are taking care of the proof room in their absence.

The Bible School quartet went to McMinnville, Tenn. this week end and sang at the district convention. They certainly did some excellent singing, which was enjoyed by all present. Brother E. J. Boehmer, the General Secretary and Treasurer, was also present at this convention and gave a message on "Consecration" which was enjoyed by his many friends in that section.

Ninety dollars have been received for subscriptions since the last issue of the Evangel. The solicitors are as follows: Maggie Griffin, \$21.00; Roy Marcum, \$9.00; F. M. Waldron, \$4.00; J. W. Charlesworth, \$4.00; Carrie Kalb, \$4.00; Mrs. C. M. Martin, \$4.00; James Cline, \$4.00.

### Giving My Time To The Lord

CEMENT, Okla. — Dear Evangel readers, I am glad this morning for Jesus in whose name is salvation. I love Him supremely above everything in this world. I do truly thank Him for the sanctifying power of His blood and the blessed Holy Ghost, and more because I have received all three and one more, I belong to the dear old Church of God. I am now at Chattanooga, Okla., helping in a revival, doing some of the preaching. I am giving my time to the Lord and His service. I am now ready to book a few more calls and will be ready for service after the first of June. My address is Route 3, Cement, Okla. I do not hold license but can furnish references, such as Brother Jesse A. Cook, a bishop in the Church of God. I have written many letters to my home church which is at Canton, Ohio, 10th and Mahoning Sts. N. E., also to Akron, Ohio to district pastor, D. G. Phillips, 22 Madison Road. If any one knows him and will call his attention to this I will appreciate it as I would like to hear from him. I am the brother who went around testifying to the healing power of God while on crutches during the 1928 campmeeting. I also attended the 1929 campmeeting of Ohio, but without the crutches. God had delivered me of them, and I am going without them now and preaching the gospel. Your brother, Riley Clement.

## God Can Move Things

KENTWOOD, La. — The Lord is blessing in this place. We came here in November to live and to pastor the church at this place. The church members seemed discouraged and the attendance was not very good so in January we decided to have cottage-prayer meeting twice a week and regular prayer meetings at the church on Wednesday nights. We didn't do this long before the Lord began to bless and answer prayer and people became interested and one received the baptism so we decided to run a meeting for a few nights and during eight nights' service six received the Holy Ghost and were baptized in water and came into the church. Since that time others have been saved and the Lord is blessing in every service and people are coming to the altar. We are expecting greater things here from the Lord if we continue faithful in His service. So if you are having dry services and the church is in a rundown condition and the devil is making it hard for you, double up on him in prayer. God can move things. Praise His name! We are expecting to begin a revival at this place soon so let every one pray that God will give us many souls for our hire. — Your sister in His service, Mrs. E. E. Simmons.

## THE GREAT APOSTASY

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eth on the Son of God hath written in himself." 1 John 5:10. And we know that the Son of God is come and hath given us an understanding that we may know him that is true even in his Son Jesus Christ. 1 John 5:20. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17. "Ye must be born again." John 3:7. Here is the difficulty: A man that has never been born of the Spirit cannot know the things of God for the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, neither can he know them. 1 Cor. 2:14.

Brother preacher, let's take a stand for God and His truth. Amen. I feel the fire burning now as I write this, Hallelujah to Jesus! Thank God for His Word. Voltaire in his day made a statement something like this, "In less than a hundred years the Bible will be a forgotten book." Voltaire is dead, his books can be had at a second-hand book store for a song and no one seems to want them even for that, but God's eternal truth is marching on and since Voltaire's death hundreds, yea thousands, have built their faith, hope and experience on the Bible and died shouting. In these last days of apostasy and falling away let's cling to the Word of God and defend its literal interpretation.

### Rocky Hill District Convention Come and Gone

CONEHATTA, Miss. — The Rocky Hill District convention has come and gone. It began Saturday night, April 18, and continued until Sunday night. Brother A. V. Beaubien preached Saturday night on "The White Throne Judgment." He surely made it plain. After this he gave an altar call.

Sunday morning we met again and had lots of good singing. Then Brother Williams, our state overseer, preached on "The Church." He surely made it plain how the church was joined together. Dinner was then spread and enjoyed by all.

After noon the Sunday Schools were called to the platform and they gave some nice pieces. The best part was the little girls answering Bible questions. After the exercise by the school the writer made a talk on "Sunday School." After the service closed at the church we went to the water where four were baptized.

I am going to do my best to make the work move on in the Rocky Hill District. We have many good people in the district and we have a good overseer whom we all love. I ask all the saints to pray for the work in Mississippi. — An humble brother in Christ for the Church of God, Dewey G. Bozeman, Rt. 2, Box 45.

### A Sunday School Organized

RAVIA, Okla. — It is a great pleasure to report our Easter program. It was the best one we ever had. It was gotten up by our pastor, W. Kerce, and wife and the coworkers. God put His approval on his work. We thank God for our pastor and wife. They stand foursquare for the Church of God.

We also enjoyed having Brother Oglesby, our state overseer, with us. We enjoyed the talk he made Easter night. The crowd was so large all could not get in the building.

Brother Kerce organized a Sunday School the Sunday after Easter at Ruston, Okla. Seventy-three were in Sunday School a few Sundays ago. God is surely blessing in spite of all the hard times. People are beginning to awake to the fact that God is God. Most all the people talk about today is hard times but this is the beginning of sorrow.

I feel the Lord's presence. God is healing and working miracles today. Mary Pierce.

## Notices & Specials

We are in a revival at Petersburg, W. Va. We are in the third week. Please pray for souls to be saved. We have large crowds and good interest. Some are in the altar crying to God. Please pray a special prayer for us. R. L. Rexrode and band are in charge. — J. M. Kile, pastor.

The district convention of the Church of God at Ravia, Okla. will convene May 29-31, 1931. Everybody is invited to come and bring others with them. There will be dinner on the ground May 31. Everybody be sure and bring a well filled basket. All the neighboring churches of the Ravia District are expected to be present Sunday, May 31, and the clerks will furnish this assembly with a report brought up to date.

On Sunday, May 31, we will have a dedication service. Brother Graham Oglesby, our state overseer, will be in charge. Don't miss this great feast. Come and let us reason together. — C. W. Kerce, district pastor, Ravia, Okla.

The Church of God at Big Springs, Texas wants to know where A. B. Spencer and Ava Spencer are. Their memberships have been transferred from the Church of God at Colorado, Texas to the Church of God at Big Springs, Tex. — Howard Williams, clerk, 506 E. 4th St., Big Springs, Texas.

We report one more new church for our district, Selma, Ala. The Thomasville, Ala. District meeting will be first Sunday in June. Dinner will be on the ground. All bring a basket. After dinner there will be a district baptizing. About fifty are to be baptized. All preachers and members are expected to be present. — G. C. Hamby, district overseer, Thomasville, Ala.

I am in a new field of labor with great prospects of getting many souls saved and organizing a new church. Please pray that God will bless our efforts. Also pray for a man here who has strayed from the fold. He is sick in body and soul. Pray that God will heal his body and give him back the Holy Ghost. — Yours for lost souls, W. Cobb Dennard, 811 N. Grant St., Fitzgerald, Ga.

A revival will begin at Belmont, N. C. May 17th and continue for three weeks or more. W. E. Raney of Winnsboro, S. C. will be in charge. Every saint of God who reads this please pray for the revival. — Pastor, W. M. Stallings.

The Church of God at Wilburn's Chapel will have Children's Day services the 2nd Sunday in June. Our pastor, Brother Hilton from Nashville, will be with us. Everybody is invited. — Lizzie Robinson, clerk, Nashville, Tenn.

The Bauxite District Convention will convene June 26, 27, and 28 at the Shady Grove church, near Quitman, Ark. We are looking forward to a wonderful time in the Lord and want all the churches on the district to be represented there, and all the preachers that can be there, write me a letter at once. This is a new church in a new field, and the people are on fire and are ripe for the Church of God, so let us work while it is time. Your brother, pastor and district overseer of the Bauxite district, Route 1.

M. P. Cross, State Overseer of Michigan, has changed his address from 5686 16th St. to 5708 16th St., Detroit, Mich.

If any one who subscribed for the Evangel at the North Carolina State Convention fails to receive your paper please drop me a card. — Maggie Griffin, 105 Poplar St., Kannapolis, N. C.

WANTED: A man who can sing and play either a piano or stringed instrument, to travel with evangelist. Must be willing to go anywhere. — John E. Douglas, Evangelist, Guyandotte, W. Va.

Notice is hereby given that F. L. Ryder is no longer a member of the Church of God. — Harry M. Conley, clerk, 506 Spears Ave., N. Chattanooga, Tenn.

I have resigned as State Evangelist of West Virginia. I am ready for calls now anywhere that God leads. — Yours in the Lord's service, John E. Douglas, Guyandotte, W. Va.

We will have an all day meeting and singing at Pikeville church. Brother Z. D. Simpson has promised to be with us. Everybody is invited to come and bring filled baskets of good things to eat. — The pastor, J. F. Wilkins, Larkinsville, Ala.

NOTE: We are sure Brother Wilkins overlooked mentioning the date of this meeting, as there was none given in the original copy. — Transcriber.

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## REQUESTS

I want all who read this to pray for the healing of my body. I have the flu, also my father, mother and brother. I am a sinner girl but believe God can heal. — Miss Gama Chastain, Lafayette, Ga., Rt. 1.

I am so glad that I am saved, sanctified and the sweet Holy Ghost still abides, and that I am in the Church of God. I want all the saints to pray that God may have His way in my life, for I want to do just what He would have me do. Also pray for my family. — A sister under the blood, Salie Williamson, Rt. 1, Box 22, Marked Tree, Ark.

To the saints everywhere: Please pray a special prayer for Theron Jones. He has tumor of the stomach and the doctor says there is no cure for him. — A friend.

Dear Evangel Family, as you read these lines I want you to breathe an earnest prayer in my behalf. My husband was once a deacon in the Church of God, now he is a backslider, my only son is insane and my poor body is afflicted. My sufferings are very great and I do believe in the prayers of God's people. Will you kindly pray that my husband will get back to God, that my son's mind will be restored and that I will be healed to be a worker for Him. — A burdened soul, Rebecca Saunders.

Saints, pray earnestly for the Lord to heal me of dyspepsia and another terrible disease which is very painful, it may be cancer of the stomach. Also that my faith may be strengthened and that I may get close to God. I have only attended church three times this year because of ill health. I love Him better than all the world, and want His sweet will to be done in my life. I am a member of the Church of God and love her teachings and government. — Mrs. Addie Dickson.

I have a request for a lady who lives near me. She wants everybody who knows the Lord and trusts Him to pray for her. She is sick, has high blood pressure and can't sit up. She wants to trust the Lord for her body so please remember her in your prayers. Pray for me to always be found humble and ready to go when He comes or calls. — Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Maggie Tugwell, Rt. 3, Farmville, N. C.

I earnestly ask every child of God who knows the worth of prayer to pray for me and my husband to get closer to the Lord. Pray for the Lord to heal our afflicted bodies. Husband has something like kidney trouble and I have some kind of stomach trouble. I believe the Lord will heal us. Pray earnestly for my dear father and brother to be saved before it is too late. — Mrs. Mary Parks, Grant, Va.

I am in bed sick. I have trouble with my head and throat. I have had tonsillitis. I want every child of God to pray for me that the Lord will heal me. I know He can for He has healed me before. My mother is a member of the Church of God. I am a sinner and want you all to pray for me. — Miss Beatrice Nelson, Lafayette, Ga.

Saints, please pray for the Lord to heal my body if it is His will. The Lord can heal for He has healed me many times. I want to be true to the Lord. Pray for me to do what He would have me do. I have many trials and temptations here but I want to go to heaven. Pray that I might keep my little candle light shining in this dark corner. — Yours in Christ, Miss V. C. Carroll, Blacksburg, S. C.

Dear saints everywhere please pray for me as I am going thru very severe trials that the Lord knows all about. May God undertake for me in His own sweet way. — A. F. Wilson, Wilmington, N. C.

## Stayed Humble And Prayed

CROWN HILL, W. Va. — I praise the Lord for the way He has blessed us at Crown Hill. On Mar. 16 Sister Dona Johnson from Barboursville, W. Va. came here and began a meeting Mar. 17. The dear saints banded together with her and began to pray for God to give us a revival. The devil turned on us with full force but we just kept on praying until the Lord answered prayer and sent an old time thunderbolt of conviction on the sinners' hearts. They began to fall at the altar under the mighty power of God. Sister Johnson stayed with us and preached hard every night. She gave out the foursquare gospel. She did not let up any. God gave us eighteen souls saved, twelve sanctified, eleven received the Holy Ghost, twelve were baptized in water, and thirteen were added to the Church of God. We give the Lord the glory and praise for it. In ourselves we could have done nothing but we just stayed humble and prayed and let God do the work for us.

Sister Johnson was greatly loved at Crown Hill and we want her to come

## Successful Revival Just Closed

BELTONA, Ala. — This is the best religious paper I've ever read. I truly thank God from the depths of my heart for salvation that reaches even me and for the joy and peace I find in serving Him.

As yet we have no Church of God at this place but have just closed a successful revival here. Brother Richards from Alabama City did the preaching. Surely God sent Him here for we feel that much good has been done. Seven were saved, three of which were sanctified, and three received the Holy Ghost. The saints were greatly encouraged to press on. We surely appreciate the good people coming from Bradford, Trafford, and Kimberly and helping with their good singing and testimonies. We had good crowds all during the meeting and many have come to the light on sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Saints, everywhere, pray that we will keep the good work going and that many more souls will be rescued from a life of sin. Dear people, I feel like moving up. Don't you? Oh, I do want to get busy for God and do the things He would have me do.

If the mines resume work here a church will be set in order shortly. Three went into the church at Bradford until a church is set in order here. Others will come in then. Again we thank God for sending Brother and Sister Richards to this place and for others who came and helped out. Above all we thank Him for the souls He gave us. Pray that God will open up a way for a church here. — A sister in Christ, (Miss) Cecile Treadway.

## Sunday School Convention

Our Sunday School District convention number five which was held at Ft. Myers, Fla. May 3rd, has come and gone, but we feel that an influence was left that will linger with the people.

Our district superintendent, Brother F. M. Waldron of Largo was in charge of the convention. The convention opened with singing. Brother U. D. Tidwell gave the welcome address which made every one feel at home. The girls' quartet then sang "Way Side Wells." Brother Tidwell gave a talk on the "Need of the Sunday School." Brother Ralph Tedder of Punta Gorda gave a short talk on "Opportunity of the Sunday School." Then we all sang "Where We'll Never Grow Old."

At the noon hour we all went outside under the pine trees where a large table was spread with all kinds of good things to eat. At one-thirty we assembled back to the church. The Nocatee quartet, and the girls' quartet rendered several selections. Brother O'neal played several selections on a hand saw. We have learned that God can also get glory out of a hand saw. Brother Waldron then gave a talk on the influence of the Sunday School. We all had a wonderful time in the Lord. There was singing, shouting and dancing.

La Belle was represented with four delegates, Nocatee five, Arcadia five.

back. She showed her love while she was here. I am sure she would be glad to help you. Her address is Mrs. Dona Johnson, Rt. 2, Barboursville, W. Va. % Mr. George Pruitt. She will appreciate it if anyone will write her.

Pray for the people at Crown Hill. There are others here looking this way. — A sister in Christ, Mrs. Rosa Fauber.

## Report of Knoxville Revival

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — On the night of April 12th Brother Earl Paulk opened fire on the enemy. He began giving out the Word in the "old time way," giving chapter and verse. The first night the altar was filled with hungry seekers and some began to pray thru. There were six saved, five sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost. One old man seventy years old was saved and sanctified. He threw away his snuff and tobacco and came into the church—just wish you could have heard him praising God for victory.

There was not such a large number got thru in the meeting, but the people were convinced that "Holiness" is right. Brother Paulk surely did some fine preaching. All who attended, preachers and all had to say he sure did preach the Bible. Brother Paulk surely is a fine man and anyone could not go wrong in getting him for a meeting. The church here at Knoxville surely was built up by his good preaching. All who read this, please pray for us at Knoxville. — W. D. Childers.

## Still Pushing The Battle

MARIANNA, Ark. — We are still pushing the battle at Haynes Church of God and the Lord is blessing. Brother Webster, our district evangelist, just closed a revival. He sure was faithful and the Lord blessed in a wonderful way. There were three saved, three sanctified, one received the Holy Ghost, two reclaimed, four baptized in water and two added to the church. The meeting closed with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. All who read this please pray for us at Haynes for we need your prayers. Your Brother in Christ, Arvil Roberts, Rt. 2, Bx 222.

## Eleven Received The Holy Ghost

WEDOWEE, Ala. — Brother L. J. Potts has just closed a wonderful revival at Zion. The meeting was a great success. We thank God for sending Brother Potts to this place. He has proved a blessing to many here, especially the young people. Fifteen were saved, twelve sanctified, eleven received the Holy Ghost, eleven were added to the church, and several are to be baptized. The meeting closed with several in the altar. We all have learned to love and appreciate Brother Potts. We extend a hearty welcome for him to come back again. — Maye Fowler, clerk, Rt. 1.

## 12 Saved, 9 Filled With The Holy Ghost

LOGAN, Ill. — I thank the Lord for our revival which was conducted by Brother J. R. Thomas about six or eight weeks ago. The Lord was with us. Brethren and sisters from other places came and helped us. Twelve were saved, eleven sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for us that we will stay on the battlefield and do God's will. — Your brother in Christ, Miles Smothers, clerk.

Punta Gorda twenty-five and Ft. Myers one hundred and twenty-five. Each gave interesting reports on how to build up the Sunday School. The convention came to a close by taking up an offering for the orphans, which was eleven dollars and fifty five cents.

We like these good conventions as they encourage and build up the Sunday School, and put new zeal in every one of God's children to do all the good they can. — J. H. Colvin.

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## Preaching a Noble Calling

ELECTRA, Tex. — I am truly glad for this blessing in my soul. I am glad that the blood was shed on Calvary that we might be saved from sin. The Word says, that we might be sanctified by the blood, cleansing ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh, perfecting holiness unto the Lord. I am glad of the fact that we can receive the Holy Ghost today. Many say this was just for the disciples but Paul said it was for you and your children's children. I know this salvation is real because I have it in my soul. There are thousands of others who have really received the Holy Ghost. We know we have Him because the Bible says the Holy Ghost will speak for Himself and we have the witness according to Acts 2:4.

I want to say a word in behalf of our Y. P. E. here at Electra, Texas. We have some young folks who are on fire and are on the firing line for God, folks who really mean to go thru with Him regardless of the cost, and it is worth the price too. Hallelujah to God!

We had our district convention here April 4, 5, 6. We all received good spiritual food from the Lord as we have some preachers in the Church of God here in Texas that do not fail to preach the whole Word of God. We had a small amount of time on Sunday evening for our Y. P. E. program. It seemed as though every little fellow tried to tell their songs that "Jesus was coming." How these Church of God children do put the praise in their tiny voices to glorify the dear Lord. I pray that these little folks will keep the victory and be called to preach the gospel. We need them and we need to start them off right so they will be able to respond to the call of God and help the lost and weary come to the Lord. How my heart aches to think of lost souls in sin and so many children that could be brought up in the fear of the Lord so they would not be afraid to step out on the holy promises of God, and say, "Yes, God, I'll go. I for one think that one of the best things a parent can do is to encourage the children to work for Jesus. Some folks think it a disgrace to be a preacher, more so a holiness or Church of God preacher, but let me tell you now, mothers, fathers, if I only knew that my two little sons would grow up to be Church of God preachers I would be satisfied about them. That is exactly why I take them to Sunday School and C. of G. Y. P. E. Services. We think of ourselves as going to the Marriage Supper but we are including our children too? What will happen if you go in the rapture and your little Billie or Mary is left here to go thru the awful tribulations? Will they be able to stand? Have you equipped them with enough of the Word of God that they will be able to stand the tests? Or are you afraid for your son or daughter to go on the battlefield? I can hear some one say, "Ah, my boy would probably have to go to some heathen place where the cannibals would burn him at the stake," or, "My son or daughter could never buy the clothes and things they need with such little money." Oh, why be foolish? Don't you know that God will supply every need? If they don't go for Jesus, they will go for the devil. Jesus said, "Follow thou me," and where did He go and what did He do? He left His home and preached the gospel. Who could think of a higher position in life than to preach the Word to hungry souls that they might be saved from a burning hell? That is the highest and most noble calling in life. Don't be afraid to send your child, encourage him, bring him to Sunday School and Y.P.E. for their health and get the needed food while they are young. We start them while they are small on the right kind of body food and so why not start them on the right kind of spiritual food so they won't be stunted in their little souls. It certainly wouldn't do them harm, and where else are they going to get the true Word of God? Not in the public schools; not in the movies; not on the streets; not at a bridge party or petting party, so if you don't teach it to them in their homes, where are they going to get it? Bring them to Sunday School and Y. P. E. for their health in the Lord. The Bible says something about training your children in the way they should go while they are young and they will not depart from it.

At present I have charge of the card class and where else is there any place to teach little folks the real Church of God doctrine only in Sunday School? I'm a booster for young folks for they are to be the Church of God of tomorrow and they will only be what we make them. Let's give God some good material to work with. I'm glad for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Mason, for they surely do encourage the young people as well as the older ones and he doesn't stand back on preaching the whole Word of God. Pray for me that I will stand true to Him. I am not ashamed of the Church of God but I'm happier because my name is on her book. The Church of God is the cleanest thing this side of the Glory World. I want to be dressed in robes of righteousness and looking for my Lord's return to earth again. — Your sister in Jesus, Kattie Lee Young, Y. P. E. President.

## No Good Thing Will He Withhold From The Upright

COCONUT GROVE, Fla. — "For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." Psa. 84:11. Surely we have been blessed with good things from the Lord this year. The Lord undoubtedly has given us grace and glory. We do praise Him for His many blessings and wondrous works at this place.

We thank the Lord for Brother J. L. Goins of Chattanooga, Tenn. who was with us for two weeks in January. Brother Goins was a great blessing to the church here. His messages were enjoyed immensely. A few of his discourses were on Daniel's seventy weeks, illustrated on a chart which portrayed his thought in such a way that it will never be forgotten. The meeting was a very good success. A number of souls came to Christ for which we praise the dear Lord.

We also enjoyed having Brother E. L. Simmons for a week's lecture on "The Close of the Gentile Age and the Return of The Jews." He also talked on his trip to the Holy Land which was enjoyed by all. We thank the Lord for the privilege of hearing these men of God.

The Lord was especially with us while Brother Earl Paulk was here. Brother Paulk delivered some wonderful messages. Surely he preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. His way of delivering messages and quoting so many scriptures was an inspiration to all. Ten received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and many others were blessed. Brother Paulk was only here a week but the Lord worked in a wonderful way. We were very glad to have him with us.

We have also been blessed with a new work at Kendal, Fla. The people there are very interested and a number has been saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. We are expecting God to give us a good work there.

Our Sunday School is progressing nicely. Our average is fine and we are expecting even greater. We are glad to say we have some true blue workers in our Y. P. E. We are glad for a few who will stand true in this evil day. We also appreciate our pastor, Brother H. L. Chessner, who has been so faithful in giving out the Word in its fulness. Brother Chessner has been such a blessing to us all.

I thank the Lord for the church here. The Lord surely has prospered the work. I am glad I still have salvation and am encouraged to press the battle on. Pray for all here that we might be a light to the world that they may know there is a reality in serving a true and living God. — Ethel Lee Lowry.

## Observed Lord's Supper And Feet Washing

PINDERS VALLEY, Jam. — I thank God for victory in my soul. I have been added to the Church of God. On Sunday night the saints from Mt. Providence and from Fernough were with us. The Lord worked wonderfully. We observed the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. After this our pastor gave an altar call and five souls came to the altar. I give God the praise. I thank God for Elder C. T. King who is out for the cause of God. Pray for me that I might receive the Holy Ghost so when He comes He might find me ready. — Yours in His service, Anetta Folkes, clerk, Chapelton, P. O.

## YOUR LABOR NOT IN VAIN

We are rejoicing because we can still report victory. The Lord has done so much for us that we can't keep from telling it wherever we go. I just can't praise Him enough for His many, many blessings. He surely has done wonderful things for us. Above all I thank Him for the deep settled peace that abides within just now. We thank Him for our little place of worship and for the good fellowship among the brethren and sisters.

In February we had our district convention for the Sunday School at Tampa. My what a blessing it was to our church! It put the go ye spirit in us for our Sunday School. We began praying and working and the Lord began blessing. We brethren would take our cars and go out on Sunday and bring the folks in and it wasn't but a short time until our state Sunday School superintendent, Brother F. M. Waldron, notified us he was sending us the state banner for the Sunday School for we had out grown all of them.

Just now our minds go back to 1 Cor. 15:58, "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." We are still looking for greater things from the Lord for we know His storehouse is full of good blessings.

We are praying for our revival that is to begin right away. We want our church to be a soul saving station for Him who loved us best of all. We covet your prayers that we will stay at our

## IT ALL CAME THRU HIM

DODD CITY, Tex. — Sunday night, Mar. 22, closed what we believe to be one of the greatest conventions Lannius has ever had. The great power of our divine Father and the unctonizing of the good Holy Ghost made us feel that we were made to sit in heavenly places with Him.

Many representatives were present from other churches including Ft. Worth, Paris, Ladonia, Cherry Hill, Blossom, Van Alstyne, and Lone Elm. Brother Claude Asher and Brother Cockrell from the western districts of the state were with us. The writer did not have the privilege of attending the full session.

Sunday morning's program opened with prayer and song. A discourse on Sunday Schools was given by Brother Claude Asher. This was something worth while and should make every true blue Church of God member more enthusiastic about this work and urgent need and the necessity of Sunday Schools among both old and young. A short address was given by Brother Ford of Blossom and then Brother Webb of Paris delivered a sermon. Both of these were given under the auspices of the Holy Ghost which made them wonderful and enjoyable to every saint.

Sister Vivian Haworth then took the stand and gave some fine comments on the C. of G. Y. P. E. We concluded from her talk that she is a capable worker in this field and feel that this work is very needful to our young people in helping to overcome the enemy in living their Christian experience. Sister Coats of Weatherford gave a few minutes talk on the Church of God orphanage work. This was heart-rending and it made us feel our unworthiness when we think of our shortcomings on this line. May God impress it on each of us to help the little children who are probably without home or friends. We know by God's Word that this is needful in making up pure and undefiled religion. Let us do our best, especially in the Octagon soap coupon campaign. This seems to be a great resource in this work. At the conclusion of this talk we were dismissed for dinner which was spread at the church. The many good eats were enjoyed by all.

At two o'clock the program began with Sister Wood and her willing workers. We say here that any church that wants to solve its financial worries should organize a Willing Workers Band. We've only had this organization at Lannius a few months but they have done great good. After this Brother Jack Cockerell brought a sermon that was helpful and inspiring. We had a good praise service that evening with shouting, real praising, and talking in tongues. Brother George Asher then brought forth a sermon. The Lord did bless in a wonderful way and we know that thru Him it all came and we feel that each dear saint present received something that will help them stand true in the hour of trial and tribulation. — A. C. Shannon.

## God Blessed Wonderfully in Convention

I am thanking the Lord this morning for His love and the blessings He has for those that obey Him. God wonderfully blessed in our district convention. We had three all day services with a good attendance and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. It was conducted in a fifty foot round tent, which was crowded to its utmost capacity at the night services. God met with us in the first service, and continued to bless thruout the entire meeting. The saints shouted, danced, talked in tongues and enjoyed the presence of the Holy Ghost. We had several preachers with us, who seemed to be at their best, and delivered their messages under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, which we believe were enjoyed by all.

Our State Overseer, Brother H. N. Scoggins delivered three wonderful messages, which we feel will be a great benefit to the churches in this district. They have given us a better understanding of the church and her teachings, and should awaken us up to the great sense of our duty to the great cause we love so well.

We want to thank God for the good music and singing. Sister Dame of St. Francisville was faithful at the piano. We also had Brother Daiton Short, Sister Eveline Fox and Sister Sorrow Ford of Benton and West Frankfort who were a great help in the music and singing which we greatly enjoyed. Brother Tony Ford also seemed to enjoy the meeting.

Sunday we had services all day with dinner on the ground. Just to see all the good eats didn't look like hard times. The meeting closed Sunday night with a message given by the Holy Ghost and interpretation, and handshakes. We believe every one who attended this convention was benefited, it will be a help to the churches on the district and long remembered by many. — W. R. Anderson.

post of duty and do more for Him. We realize that night is coming when no man can work. — Your brother in Christ, A. W. Johns, Supt. of Sunday School, 618 Pochontas St. Tampa, Fla.

## Kansas And Missouri Progressing Nicely

FARMINGTON, MO. — The Churches of God in Kansas and Missouri are progressing nicely considering the financial depression. Brother M. E. Mead, the pastor of Pittsburg, Kan. has had a successful revival.

The Lord is blessing Joplin and Hayti, Mo. Souls are praying thru. Brother R. C. Ogles, our state evangelist, and Sister Stringer who has the oversight of Bonne Terre, Mo. are now engaged in a successful revival at Bonne Terre, Mo.

The quarterly reports show that the work of the churches of the states are progressing nicely except Kansas City, Kan. Please pray for this church for there are precious saints there.

The Church of God, 2917 Kossuth St., St. Louis, Mo. is progressing nicely. Six new members were added April 12.

The nine weeks' revival at the church of Cantwell, Mo. has proven to be a great success. Some of the charter members state this is the greatest meeting Cantwell has ever had. Thirty-eight were converted, thirty-two sanctified, twenty-nine received the Holy Ghost, sixteen backsliders were reclaimed, sixteen added to the church and quite a number blessed. Since the revival closed the revival spirit is still on. A number are at the altar every service. If you enjoy going to service where there is shouting, crying, speaking in tongues, and dancing in the Spirit, pay us a visit.

I have just closed a three weeks' revival at 6948 Manchester Ave., St. Louis, Mo. and set a church in order April 18 with twenty-one members. Some among this number are preachers. Pray for this new church. — Your brother, W. J. Milligan, Overseer of Kansas and Missouri, Rt. 4.

## C. of G. Y. P. E. "LIFTERS"

We are publishing a letter we received a few days ago from a wide awake pastor in Pennsylvania. If Pennsylvania has many like him, we may look for great things from that state. While this church is doing for other interests it seems that the Lord is blessing them in their local work, also. If you want your young people stirred to activity along this line, send a two cent stamp and we will be glad to give you information how to help and not interfere with your own local church work. Brother Delbert Carder of Toledo, Ohio, writes, "Please send me 25 envelopes." Now if this keeps up we are going to see great things done. I am giving below a letter from Brother Rosenbaum of Reading, Pa.: 1011 Cotton St., Reading, Pa.

Dear Sister Harrison: Greetings in Jesus' name. In reply to the lifting proposition, Yes, you can count on me. Send me fifty envelopes. I'll see what we can do.

Reporting victory here. I took charge of this church two months ago. They could hardly raise rent. Now we have double the amount. Tithes are doubled and we have our quota in the missionary fund. So we can do our part in the lifting fund. We have on our banner for Reading church "Loyalty," so we must be loyal in everything. Count on our Willing Workers and Y. P. E. to do their part. May God continue to bless you in His service.

Your brother in Christ, B. O. Rosenbaum.

Perhaps there are some who did not see the piece we wrote to the paper a few weeks ago and do not understand this "lifting" proposition. We will explain briefly what we mean. We are asking that the young people of the church and any older ones who may be interested in the lifting of the church debt, raise one penny per day from the first day of April to the first day of October. We are anxious to see what our young people can do. You are to send the money to Brother Boehmer, our General Secretary, and he will place it in the Y. P. E. "Lifters' Fund." But we would be glad to record your name on our "Lifters" roll book.

The first ten young people who responded to the call are as follows: Muri Jones, Adamsville, Ala. Mrs. Boyd Junipp, Archer, Fla. Mr. Boyd Junipp, Archer, Fla. Mrs. W. N. Weil, Williston, Fla. Mary Elizabeth Harrison, Jonesboro, Tenn.

Faye Jackson, Somerset, Ky. Lula Caldwell, Atlanta, Ga. Lillian Dunn, Cincinnati, Ohio. Gertrude Turner is our only Junior. She is only twelve years old. Good for Gertrude! If the other children knew how nice it would be to have a part in this great work and how easy I can make it for them and would only write me, they would get busy at once. Please feel free to write for information enclosing a two cent stamp.

God bless the "Lifters."

Alda B. Harrison.

## Meeting In Progress At Somerset, Pa.

SOMERSET, Pa. — We just closed a four weeks' meeting at Williamsburg, Pa. with very good success. Twenty-one were saved, fourteen sanctified, seven received the Holy Ghost, twenty-two were added to the church. We are now in a meeting at Somerset

## No Victory Without A Battle

I thank God this morning for the victory thru the blood of Jesus and His wonderful power that keeps me happy in Him each day as I journey on this good old highway. I thank Him for the blessings that fill our souls and make us rejoice, and for our Sunday School. The Lord is blessing the work. People seem to be interested. Our teachers have their whole heart in the work. People say they never saw anything like our school. It is the only Church of God Sunday School with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn. in this country that we know of. The children are interested. Pray for our teachers.

God surely blessed in our regular services the third Sunday in this month and the Saturday before, by a mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost. The saints were made to shout, dance and talk in other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance. God sent the anointing and the Word went forth with power. The enemy got mad.

I'm so glad of this way because it is a clean way. God said in Jer. 31:12, "Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the Lord, for wheat, and wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and for the herd; and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all." The 13th verse and latter clause says, "And will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow." When God gives us the victory over the enemy of our souls and makes us shout right in the enemy's face, we need not fear if God be for us who can be against us. Let's hold on to God. Let the enemy fight. Let God have His way and obey Him in everything. Thanks be to God, we can shout while the walls of old Babylon fall. I feel like it won't be long till the fight will be over and the long sought victory will be won. Then we can sit down at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb and praise our King while eternity rolls on. Without a battle there will be no victory. Saints, pray for this place that God will stir the hearts of the people that they can see themselves as He sees them. Please pray that God will keep me true and humble at His feet, ever willing to do His biddings at all times. Your brother in the Master's service, Charlie Igo, Olympia, Ky.

## Working For The Lord

GILA BEND, Ariz. — We have been at San Diego all winter. It is a fine place to live but lately the Lord has been dealing with us to go out in the harvest field and work for Him. We came to Gila Bend. We went to see the pastor of the Pentecostal Church of Christ about letting us come in for a revival. She said there was no use trying it as the people would not come out. We told her the Lord could make them come out. I asked her if we could come in and have one night's meeting. She consented.

The next night we began our meeting. Conviction struck the people that night and one backslider came to the altar and the Lord gave her the full blessing. Then sinners began to come and other backsliders. Ten in all have been saved and the meeting is still going on. Others are hungry for the blessing.

When one woman received the blessing the Lord spoke to her and told her to take off her jewelry. She pulled off her pearl necklace and diamond rings from both hands. The meeting has been going on eight nights. Two have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and about six have been sanctified. We are having plenty of shouting, dancing and speaking in tongues. The church was almost dead but now it seems like everyone has a revival in their heart.

The devil is very mad and trying to cause trouble but we are trusting our God for all things. The Word says, If God is for us who can be against us. Everyone who knows the worth of prayer, please pray for us and our work that God's will may be done. — Your humble sister, Mary A. Martin, evangelist.

## Desires the Holy Ghost

SHELL CREEK, Tenn. — Just a word of praise to the little paper, the message of truth. I surely enjoy reading the God inspired messages of truth contained in its pages. I do love the doctrine of the Church of God. I don't belong to the Church of God but I love and preach her doctrine and believe the whole truth. I am saved, sanctified, and walking in the light, seeking a closer walk with God, a full and satisfying portion, the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I desire your prayers. I am willing and am tarrying for the promise, I'm looking for the time to come when there will be a Church of God somewhere close in this country. I am praying to that end. Pray for me.

with Brother Muncy. Please pray for us that we may have a good meeting here and many souls may be blessed. — Yours in the Master's service, R. A. Fielden.

## Jesus Gave The Victory

FORCHIN, Ark. — I am praising God this morning because I am still saved, sanctified, and the Holy Ghost still abides with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. I thank God for this full and free salvation that will keep us each day. I thank God for His mighty healing power. About two weeks ago I cut my hand in two places almost to the bone. I began to pray. I said, Lord, if you will heal my hand I will testify of it thru the Evangel. Of course the old enemy is always on his job. I just said, Old fellow, this is one time you will get defeated for I know God is going to heal. Praise God, Jesus gave the victory and my hand was healed. I used my hand as if it had never been cut.

I praise God for a few true blue saints at Forchin who intend to stand true until Jesus comes or calls. I believe Jesus is coming soon.

I ask all who know the worth of prayer to pray for my mother. She has had pellagra for nine years. God is no respecter of persons. He is just as able to heal one disease as another. If anyone feels led to fast and pray for her, please obey the Lord. Also pray for the Lord to take the taste of snuff from my husband. I desire your prayers that I will stay humble where Jesus can use me at any time. — Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Vera Mark, Box 538, % G. H. Kibe.

## God Doesn't Want A Weak People

COLUMBUS, Ga. — I am still praising God for victory in my soul. I am praising Him for the deep settled peace He gives me each day of my life. I thank Him for the great determination He gives me every day to go all the way with Him. Oh what joy and peace God can, will, and does give His humble children. If we will get old self out of the way and let our great King of kings and Lord of lords have His own sweet way in our lives, our blessings will be much greater. I am so glad I found Jesus and the way that leads to life everlasting.

We have just closed a five weeks' meeting here. We had Sister Fowler with us. We all think she is a wonderful, God-called servant for she certainly gave out the Word. If everybody did not get saved in this meeting it surely must be their own fault for Sister Fowler is so kind and humble and preached love. We hated to let her go but hope some time God will send her back at the right time when we can have a more wonderful meeting than the one just closed. Fifteen were saved, eleven sanctified, eight received the Holy Ghost, and five were added to the church.

He is so real to me. I don't see how I could live without my Lord. Dear hearts, let's pray more and go in for all God has for us. Let's do or die for God. He doesn't want His people to be weak, giving way at everything and stumbling over everything, but be strong in the Lord. It is wonderful to live for a God like our God. I am still saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I have victory over sin and uncleanness and the wickedness of the devil. Pray for me to be more humble, more faithful, and more determined to do or die for that is just what it will take. After having done all to stand then stand. Pray for us to have a great success this year in our little humble church in Columbus. We need your prayers.

Please pray for my mother's health that she will be healed. Pray for her, my daddy, brothers, and sisters, that God will fit them up for the kingdom, save them, sanctify and fill them with the Holy Ghost. — Your sister under the blood of Jesus, Mrs. J. H. Ming.

## Young People On Fire

WEHADKEE, Ala. — We are glad to report victory in our souls, also victory for the Potash Church of God. God surely is blessing His people here. Our report shows four saved, four sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost for we heard them speak with other tongues; nine were taken into the church and eight baptized in water, all in the month of April. Several received the Holy Ghost in our Y. P. E. services. Our young people are on fire for God and we surely thank God for them. We thank God for our district overseer, Brother L. B. Hall, also Brother B. L. Hicks, our state overseer. We think he is one of the best state overseers Alabama has ever had. Every one pray for us here that God will lead us on until we all reach the goal. Yours for Christ and His church, B. D. Smith.

I surely do love the Word of God. — Yours in the battle for God until death, W. B. Vance.

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## Pray That God Will Send Us Help

NEW HOBBS, N. Mex. — We praise the Lord thru the Evangel for His many blessings to us in this town. The Evangel has been such a blessing to us, especially since we have been away from the church and fellowship of the saints. There are only two Church of God families in this town. We came here in July. At first we went to other holiness movements, testifying and lifting the Lord up. We could not get a building for services so we began having prayer meeting from house to house, where they would ask or let us come. Sometimes there would be only the two Church of God families present and we would almost give up, but we kept fasting and praying until finally our crowds got too large to meet in the homes and God gave us a building thru prayer.

On Mar. 15 we organized a Sunday School with twenty-eight members. Four Sundays later, Easter Sunday, we had sixty-four present. We had a short program and all day service, basket dinner, and egg hunt. Oh how the Lord did bless!

There are people from other holiness movements worshipping with us who have been a great blessing and help to us. Some are now looking toward the church. Thank God for a clean way that when the genuine hear it preached they want to get it too. I am glad the sheep know the voice of their Master and a stranger will not follow, but will flee from him for they know not the voice of strangers. John 10:5.

Saints, pray that God will send help here to put over a revival and set a church in order. This is a needy field, almost everything is being preached except the true way, the Church of God. We have good crowds and good interest. There are six in our family who have the Holy Ghost and belong to the Church of God. Please pray that we will lift the standard up and never bring a reproach upon His church.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pyeatt.

## A Little Paper With Big Messages

OLUSTEE, Fla. — I take great pleasure in sounding a few words of praise our God thru the columns of the Evangel, the little paper with its big messages that we love so well. This little paper has proven a blessing to us in so many ways and so many times. When we sometimes feel blue and despondent we can get the Evangel and read some of the wonderful messages penned by holy men and women of God. It helps us to take on new courage. Then it assists us in keeping in touch with Headquarters and other different parts of the country as to how the church is progressing and also helps to keep us in touch with the teachings of the great Church of God. I think it's a wonderful preacher. Don't you? We could say much more about this paper preacher but space won't allow us to.

Just a few words about our Y. P. E. and Sunday School and local church. Listen, young people, everywhere, let us take new courage and go over the top with our Young People's Endeavor. We can do it, if we try, thru much prayer and faith in God. We can go over the top this quarter. We have nothing to be discouraged about. Should you happen around some Wednesday night and hear the many chapters of scriptures quoted by memory and the many good recitations I am sure you would help me boost this Y. P. E. Brother Jesse Coleman is president of our local endeavor at this place and seems to have the work at heart. We're looking forward to a prosperous quarter.

Our Sunday School is also growing and doing nicely. Brother L. J. Mikell is our superintendent. He is a good one. He is faithful and true to his duties. All our teachers are good. We are expecting to have the state banner again before the summer is over, "Thru Christ we win."

Our local church is getting along nicely. We have good meetings most every time we come together. Brother T. W. Godwin is our pastor and you who know him and have been privileged to hear him preach can say with me that he is one among the best in the church. We all love him and he loves us and is a blessing to us. May God bless everyone in our prayer. — Morris Wiggins, clerk.

## THE LIGHT HAS COME

GOOD HOPE, Kellits P. O. — I am glad to report victory in my soul. I am still saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, speaking in other tongues. Praise God, the light has come. On Sunday night at Pinders Valley we had a wonderful awakening. The fire fell. Five souls were saved and one received the right hand of fellowship. Elder C. T. King is a real man of God. God has been blessing Pinders Valley wonderfully.

On Monday we had fasting and conference the same night. Truly we had a happy time in shouting. I thank God

## God's Light Shines In Dark Places

We have just closed a grand revival near Bainbridge, Ga. We preached five and one half weeks and many blind eyes were opened and many deaf ears unstopped. It was a dark place but God's light will shine in the darkest places. Several were saved, some sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost and a church set in order with fourteen members which bears the name of Shepherd Fold Church of God.

I thank God for victory and power over all sin and the devil. How it thrills my soul to know God's arm is not shortened that He cannot save or His ears dull that He cannot hear. Sometimes the way is dark and the clouds of discouragement hang low but the sun is always shining just behind the clouds. It takes all the grace God gives us to stand in the last days for iniquity abounds until the love of many wax cold. It is our everyday life that counts. It is not what we say we are but what we really are.

Be faithful. The battle will soon be fought and the victory won. Hold on to God. There is no time to get cold or backslide but it is time to get just a little closer to Jesus. I am glad we can build on the solid rock Christ Jesus and have a shout in our souls the devil can't take out.

I desire the prayers of all the saints for me to be brave and fight the battle for Jesus at all times and places and that I will stay in the center of God's holy will. — Your sister in Jesus, Mrs. D. L. Wing, Evangelist.

## Sweet Spirit Prevailed Thruout Convention

CLEVELAND, Miss. — The district convention for the Cleveland District began at Stonefield, Friday morning, April 24, with a small delegation. God was with us from the beginning. Our Overseer, G. G. Williams, arrived in the afternoon and preached for us Friday night on "Faith." This address was edifying as well as spiritual.

By Saturday morning more delegates arrived and the services increased in interest. The overseer gave us a good sermon on "Advice to ministers." In the afternoon a sermon on Sanctification was preached by J. W. Mullen. Brother Mullen was ailing so it was necessary for him to stop for prayer then he started in for another hour. He gave us some good thoughts on the life of a sanctified believer. The convention was still increasing in interest. Brother A. V. Beabe fired the camp with the subject "Order in God's House." He showed us how the work is hindered by not coming up to the teachings of the church, not paying our tithes, not trusting the Lord for our bodies, not feeding the church with our hands and lives. Well, it was fine and did all good.

Sunday morning came with some clouds hanging over but soon the sun was shining and the people began gathering. They did not come empty in souls or boxes. After some good spiritual singing Brother Williams brought the message on "The Perfect Man." It did our souls good as he applied the scripture of going on with God.

Dinner time came and my what a nice dinner was spread and plenty for all! The afternoon was taken up with singing and reports from churches. The delegates marched on the platform just like we do at the Assembly. Cleveland church had the largest number of delegates. Three truck loads and four cars traveled fifty-five miles. The singing and playing of Sister McNally from Taylor church was very interesting. She says the Lord gives her the songs.

The convention came to a close on Sunday night with a sermon on "The Last Days" by A. V. Beabe. The Lord was there in power. Other speakers were Brother Webb, Brother Lott, and Sister Tidwell. The latter spoke on "The Need of Unity in the Church." Such a sweet spirit prevailed thruout the convention and old Stonefield will long remember this good time.

While I am writing I will add a little about my trip to the closing of the Bible School. The time at Headquarters was enjoyed. I found the school has made progress in the last year and the students spoke well of the faculty. On returning I came by Montgomery, Ala. My what a good time I had! The saints are feeling fine. On Monday I went to Thomasville for two nights and had another good time. I spent one night in Mobile where there is an open field for the gospel. From there I went to Morgantown, Miss. I found Brother Earl Brewer in a revival. That place was on fire for God and souls praying thru. I am informed that thirty-five received the Holy Ghost. Things are moving on fine in Mississippi and there are many open fields for the gospel and some of the best people in the world. Brother Williams seems to be at home in looking after the work. If you want to labor for the Lord, you will find a welcome here. Come over and see us. — P. F. Fritz.

for the good old Church. I desire your sincere prayers that my husband, Geo. W. Douglas, may receive the Holy Ghost. — Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Editha E. Douglas.

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# Obituaries

## TRUSLEY

On April 14, 1931 the angel visited the home of H. C. Trusley and claimed his dear wife, age 51 years, 11 months and 11 days. She leaves to mourn a husband, three daughters, six sons and a host of friends. She was saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and belonged to the Church of God ten years. She left this world praising God, said He had called her and she must go. We miss her, but can go to her if we keep pressing on. We have the assurance that she is in heaven with her precious little babes.

The battle is fought, the victory is won, Mother is waiting to receive a crown, If we can be humble, faithful and true, I will be with mother, so will you. Mrs. Solomon Sealf.

## WILLIAMS

On April 23, 1931 the death angel visited the home of our dear Brother Williams and took away his darling wife. She was sick a long time but bore her suffering with patience. She was fifty-five years of age and leaves a husband, seven daughters, two sons and five brothers.

She was a true loyal member of the Church of God, loved by every body, and truly an example for all. We would go pray with her and hear her shout and speak in tongues, magnifying God as she lay suffering. We cannot understand why God took her or let her suffer, but we know He does all things well, and some day if we stand true to our Master we will walk the golden streets in glory with our dear sister, never to part any more.

When we started to build our new church she said she wanted God to let her live to see it completed, because she wanted to be the first one carried in it. God granted her that request. It was one of the largest funerals ever held in this town. Her pastor, Brother Ralph Koshewitz conducted it, and her body was laid to rest in the Presbyterian cemetery. He counted it a great privilege because she lived such a good life. She was a loving mother and true wife, and we want to say to her children, seek God with your whole heart and some day you will all see your dear mother again on the other shore. We all miss her so, but would not wish her back as we know she is where there is no more suffering or sorrow.

Dear sister, you have left us, We know that life was brief, But how your leaving pained us, It filled our hearts with grief.

When we saw you in your casket, Lying there so still and white, You seemed to be an angel, darling, With wings of snowy white.

Oh how bad we miss you While here on earth we stay; It's joy to know we can meet you Again in heaven some sweet day.

From our presence you have been taken And in Christ have fallen asleep, Yet when we think of your departure We can't help but weep.

'Tis hard to break the tender cord When love has bound the heart; 'Tis hard, so hard to speak The words, "We must part."

We must not, will not, wish her back To this land of sorrow and care When all over yonder is fair and bright And she is happy there.

All the days we spent together, All the happy golden hours Shall be cherished in fragrance Sweet from memory's flowers. —One who loved her very much, Clara Koshewitz, Williamsburg, Pa.

## WILSON

On April 27, 1931 the death angel visited the home of W. H. Wilson of Boaz, Ala. and claimed him and his wife for his victims. Brother Wilson was fifty-nine years, one month, and nine days of age. His wife, Mrs. Vina Roselee, was fifty-nine years, and nine months of age. To this union were born eight boys and three girls. All are living. Brother and Sister Wilson will be greatly missed not only in the home but in the entire town and country around. There were only three hours and ten minutes difference in their deaths. The funeral was conducted by the writer and their bodies laid to rest in the Thrasher cemetery near Boaz, Ala. to await the resurrection. — Z. D. Simpson, Boaz, Ala.

## BOWERSOX

On April 4, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Clem E. Bowersox and claimed his wife Eva, age fifty-one years, 2 months and 16 days. She was born Jan. 19, 1880 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson, Portage, Ohio. She was married June 21st, 1905 to Clem E. Bowersox. To this union were born three children. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, two sons, Donald age 17 and Homer age 14. One child, Wilber, preceded her in his infancy. She was laid to rest in

the McComb cemetery to await the resurrection of the dead in Christ. She testified that she was ready to go and that everything was clear between her and Jesus.

A friend to the Family, Miss Margaret Bissay, 426 Lynn St., Findlay, Ohio.

## ARNOLD

On Monday afternoon about 3 o'clock, Apr. 6, 1931 the dear Lord in His mighty power and tender mercy looked down on our beloved Brother Nimrod Arnold and called him out of his awful suffering from double pneumonia. Prayer was made for him and all was done that loving hands could do but God saw best to take him to a better place. He leaves to mourn a loving wife, mother, brothers and sisters.

He belonged to the Church of God and lived a true Christian life until death. He always warned and admonished the people to get ready to meet their blessed Saviour, and was loved by all who knew him. Oh how we will miss him in our meetings and how he will be missed in the home, but God needed him in glory to make his home.

Sleep on dear brother and do not wait, We want to meet you at the pearly gate.

—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Otis Hester, Quentin, Miss.

## JONES

Our dear daughter departed this life and went on to her reward May 2, 1931. She had not been in good health for some time before she was taken and suffered much but bore it patiently. Our darling leaves father, mother, husband, five brothers, seven children and many relatives and friends to mourn our loss. Oh how we miss her sweet presence, but the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Praise His sweet name. He is our present help in trouble. We felt that we could not give her up, but the dear Lord helped us to look up and say "Thy will be done."

She was a member of the Baptist church, and I think walked in all the light she had. May we meet her in that home of peace and rest when life's struggles are over. She was 35 years, 5 months and 10 days of age, was a devoted wife and sweet mother. Her body was laid to rest in the Wiley Cemetery to await the resurrection. A precious one from us has gone, A voice we loved is stilled, A place is vacant in our home, That never can be filled. Her mother, who is homesick for heaven, I desire the prayers of all Christians for me and my unsaved ones. — Mrs. C. S. Cannon, Lakemont, Ga.

## McKINNEY

On Mar. 31, 1931 the death angel visited our home and claimed our dear father, Mr. O. L. McKinney. We loved him dearly but the dear Lord knew best and took him home to rest. He was ready to go. He was seventy four years of age. He leaves to mourn his death, nine children and thirty-five grandchildren.

Dear father, how we miss you But our Lord knew best; If we will only live for Jesus, We can meet you in that sweet haven of rest. — One who loved him dearly, his daughter, Mrs. Maude Tedford, 1320½ Washington Ave., Houston, Tex.

## WINLEY

On April 26, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Edward Davis and claimed their darling mother, Bettie Winley. She was born April 17, 1868. She was converted, and filled with the Holy Ghost and was a member of the Church of God. She was a faithful member until she became disabled. She suffered much but held on to God's unchanging hand and died in the faith. She leaves to mourn her death one daughter, one brother, one son-in-law, and a host of friends. We loved Mother Winley but the Lord loved her best. The funeral was preached by the pastor, U. Cobbs.

## BROOKS

On Feb. 13, 1931 the death angel visited our dear sister's home and claimed her husband, Davilee Brooks, age sixty years, three months, and three days. He leaves to mourn his departure a wife, four boys, two girls. He was sick eight years. He lost his voice about a month before he died. The last days of his life force me to feel that he is sweetly resting in the arms of Jesus. Pray for his six children who are in sin and pray that the circle will be complete some day. The funeral service was conducted by Brother J. D. Wilson and his body laid to rest in the Middletown cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. — His brother-in-law, Joseph Blackburn Middletown, Ohio.

## FLAGEL

On April 5 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Flagel and claimed for its victim their little son, Michael Flagel, at the age of five years and eleven months. He stumbled

## One Revival Closed, Another One Begun

BITHLO, Fla. — The revival came to a close, at Sherman Easter Sunday and I am glad to report that it was a great success in many ways. God met with us in every service and the power fell mightily at times. Two received the Holy Ghost. I didn't keep up with the number saved and sanctified but the Lord helped us to organize a Church of God Sunday School with fifty enrolled the first Sunday. I feel that this is fine for a small place like Sherman, Fla. God is surely desiring to bless here and I pray that the people will stay humble at the foot of the cross and let Him do His will among them.

On the night of April 12 a revival began here in Bithlo with the writer in charge and we desire the prayers of all who see this that God will give a greater victory than has ever yet been won at this place. The church has a fine Sunday School at this place and the prospects for the revival are fine. I feel that we will enjoy many good times in the Lord before this revival comes to a close, if the Lord tarries. Please pray for us that we will do God's will in everything that we undertake and that our undertakings

and fell into a water tank bursting a blood vessel in his stomach. He lived just three hours after the injury. He leaves to mourn his death his father, mother, brothers, and many friends. The funeral was preached by Brother D. C. Boatwright and his body was laid to rest in the Greenhill cemetery. —One who loved him, his Sunday School teacher, Helga Peterson.

## Followed His Example

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost. I praise Him for permitting His children to follow His examples. Sunday night, April 5, twenty members of the church at Forehen, Ark. obeyed His command in the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord really blessed. Praise His wonderful name. I want each child of God to pray that I might hold out faithful and do God's will. Also pray that God will baptize my husband with the Holy Ghost. — A sister in Christ who wants to be as humble as God would have me be, Emmaline Dunn.

## Encouraged to Press On

COPPER HILL, Tenn. — I really praise the Lord for what He is doing for the young folks here at Copper Hill. Our meetings have been a little cold but I believe we are on fire for God now. We had a wonderful meeting last night. The power and presence of God was there. The Lord blessed us. After we all got thru praising God we had an altar call. One sister came to the altar seeking the Holy Ghost. We prayed for her and it wasn't long until she received the blessing. The Lord wants faithful children so pray for us all that we may do God's will and always be found faithful. — A sister, Flossie Hyde.

may be accomplished for the glory of God. — E. E. Coleman.

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Will Convene At  
Dora, Ala., May 29-31.